

HIP HOP dancing into the lives of younger generations

By Rosemary Stephens / Editor-in-Chief

DJing, b-boying, MCing, graffiti. If you know these words you know the world of hip hop. Intertwine the Native culture and the hip hop culture and you have the Ha’Stylez Crew.

“This is our 11th year hosting Battle on the Plainz, which started with the idea James and Kendricks Sleeper and their other two brothers JC and Nick, who wanted to ring a positive image of hip hop to our community and to show people that there are other forms and types of hip hop in a positive way,” Melissa Curley, member of the Ha’Stylez Crew said. “People will see a lot of dancing, MCing, DJing, graffiti and people coming together showing each other support the next three days.”

The Battle on the Plainz kicked off on Friday, May 6 at the venue of Cosmos Street Supplies in El Reno, Okla. and ended on Sunday, May 8 at The Link Church in Oklahoma City. The theme for this year’s event surrounded towards future generations, Kendricks, part of the Ha’Stylez Crew said.

“Our future is history, but we are talking about the kids. Friday is for the emcees to show these kids what emcees do, they rap, perform but somewhere in the middle there will be a test your skills, freestyling an object, being creative from their mind. So the kids



11th annual Battle of the Plainz event focuses are positive messages for the younger generations

will see the creativity aspect that emcees have to do.

Hip hop is art, it’s all art. There is an art to everything, speaking, writing, drawing. Everything is art, from the design of a leaf to water,” Kendricks said.

Artists from across the country came to be part of this annual event including Katrina Brook Flores aka El La Katrina, B-Boy Ivan-The Urban Action Figure, Nequin from Brazil, and Christian ‘Supaman’ Parrish Takes the Gun.

Supaman’s lyrics embrace positivity, spirituality and promotes a life free of alcohol and drugs.

“I actually was B-Boying, a break dancer back in Montana and that’s how I got into hip hop growing up on the Crow Reservation. It’s an honor to take part what Ha’Stylez is doing for their community and culture. As a performer I put the Native culture and the hip hop culture together. I incorporate the instruments like the hand drum, the flute and Native singing and put beats to it hip hop wise. I am a fancy dancer and I put it altogether,” Supaman said. “I am a positive emcee so my message is positivity and spirituality and are the things

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Celebrating education milestones with honor banquet

Graduates and their families file into the Frisco Center in Clinton, Okla. on May 5 laughing and hugging one another as they celebrate another milestone in their lives ... graduation celebration of high school and college students.

Members of the Cheyenne & Arapaho Tribe’s Higher Education staff greeted the graduates as they were handed gifts and corsages before making their way over to pose for a few photos before being seated at one of the many colorful decorated tables.

Master of Ceremony Darren Brown joked with the audience before bring the evening to an official opening with a Flag Song by George Levi, telling the high school graduates, “you’re not done yet, you are just beginning.”

Frank Seger of El Reno, Okla., gave the evening meal prayer immediately following Governor Eddie Hamilton’s welcome and recognition of the evening’s special guest speakers, Dwight Pickering, Director of American Indian Ed-

ucation, Oklahoma State Department of Education, the keynote speaker and Dr. Andrew Stevens, Cheyenne & Arapaho, the honored educator.

As the graduates and their families enjoyed a special dinner catered by Snider’s Catering, Pickering began his address by acknowledging the graduates from the colleges and universities receiving bachelor degrees, master’s degrees and even Ph.D.’s as well as congratulating the high school seniors.

“You are on a journey, a journey that many of us have taken, and the many people we have come across during our careers that gave us a little word of encouragement that made all the difference in the world. Those people throughout your journey have gotten you where you are today, so be thankful to your moms, your dads, your grandmothers and grandfathers, even your older brothers and sisters who supported you,” Pickering said. “I don’t see enough Indian teachers in the state of Oklahoma, I don’t see enough Indian

educators who are superintendents in Oklahoma, I don’t see enough principals who are Indians and I would really love to see that.”

Pickering told the graduates that the most powerful part of Indian people are, “our cultures, our languages, our traditions and how we worship and how we thank the Creator for everything we have. We are connected to everything, the air, the trees, the ground, the animals ... it’s been 500 years and we’re still here. We have a connection.”

In closing Pickering said the Cheyenne and Arapaho people were leading the way in supporting the education of their youth in the honoring of their graduates and acknowledged the work of all the Cheyenne and Arapaho Higher Education staff who work behind the scenes to ensure the students succeed.

Following Pickering’s keynote address, Stevens took to the podium as the honor ed-

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Dollar General: Railroading The Tribes



The Supreme Court case *Dollar General v. Mississippi Band of Choctaw Indians* began with an alleged sexual assault of a minor by the non-Indian manager of a Dollar General store on the Choctaw Indian Reservation in Mississippi. As the plaintiff, Dollar General is asking the Supreme Court to overturn three lower court opinions that held that the discount retail chain had agreed to tribal jurisdiction, in the form of a heavily negotiated contract, when it became a lessee on Choctaw nation land.

The deeper issue, however, is whether tribal nation courts should have jurisdiction in civil tort and contract claims involving non-Indians on Indian lands. If the company is successful in overturning tribal civil jurisdiction, leading historians and legal experts say that the potential long-term impact could affect nearly every aspect of tribal life in America.

As Indian country awaits the outcome, Dollar General has laid bare a history of corporate greed, wholesale

Native uprooting and empire building reaching back some 150 years involving, of all things, the railroad industry.

In September 2015, the powerful Association of American Railroads (AAR) quietly submitted a “friend-of-the-court” brief in support of Dollar General, some three months before the high court heard the case. Founded in 1934, the AAR is a trade organization which represents the major freight railroads of the United States, Canada and Mexico, including Amtrak which is owned by the U.S. government.

While extolling the “important and beneficial working relationships” the railroads enjoy with the tribes, the AAR in its brief urged the high court to nullify tribal jurisdiction in “all civil actions” against non-members.

The problem, the railroad lobby remonstrated, is not only the multiple tribal jurisdictions with which its corporate membership must negotiate. There is also the potential, the brief argued, for “devastating” claims for injunctive relief by tribes and

their members.

“Rail operations, like all heavy industry, entail risk of injuries that may give rise to tort claims against rail operators,” the railroad association wrote. “For these and other reasons, uncertainty as to whether tribal courts may have jurisdiction, or what laws and procedures may apply, is a persistent problem for AAR’s member railroads.”

‘Big Game’

Leading historians and legal experts, however, say that the AAR’s intercession reveals a more ominous corporate objective in the association’s business relationships with the tribes.

“This case is big game for the railroads and corporations because it goes well beyond an alleged sexual assault in Mississippi,” said Richard White, the Margaret Byrne Professor of American History at Stanford University. “Dollar General is an important case for all these companies because it has the potential to erase any liability for anything they might do on Indian lands.”

“There is a long and deep history in the hostility of the railroads toward the tribes that goes all the way back to the 1860s,” White said. “Certainly, they will say that they’re simply concerned about jurisdiction, but Indians matter to them only insofar as they can profit from them, and environmental liabilities are a threat to their bottom line. So jurisdiction is a major obstacle in their way.”

The entrance of the railroads into the discussion about modern tribal jurisdiction recalls their notorious history in breaking up

tribal lands and forcing Indians onto reservations in the 1800s, said White, a MacArthur Fellow and author of *Railroaded: The Transcontinentals and the Making of Modern America* (W.W. Norton, 2012), a finalist for the Pulitzer Prize in history. As land speculators, surveyors and rail companies rushed to cash in on newly acquired land titles for easements and rights-of-way, Indian tribes were viewed as an obstacle to “progress.”

To clear the way and protect their interests, the railroads depended on the U.S. military to send troops to secure their rail lines. Numerous armed clashes erupted across the western United States as tribes fought in vain to protect their homelands, launching the so-called “Indian Wars.”

“It’s not necessarily the trains or the tracks, it’s what they own, rights-of-way and easements all over the country that run through Indian lands that they took by hook or by crook or military force,” said Eric Reed, a Dallas-based attorney who is a member of the Choctaw Nation of Oklahoma. “Thousands and thousands of miles of thoroughways that they obtained at well below or no market value and they own or lease it in perpetuity.”

To this day, said Reed, a former Special Assistant U.S. Attorney, the railroads still retain ownership and control over those same easements and rights-of-way they obtained in the 1800s. Thus, he argues, AAR’s interest in intervening in Dollar General takes on a more complex intention than most friend-of-the-court briefs.

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Efforts continue to preserve Bear Butte

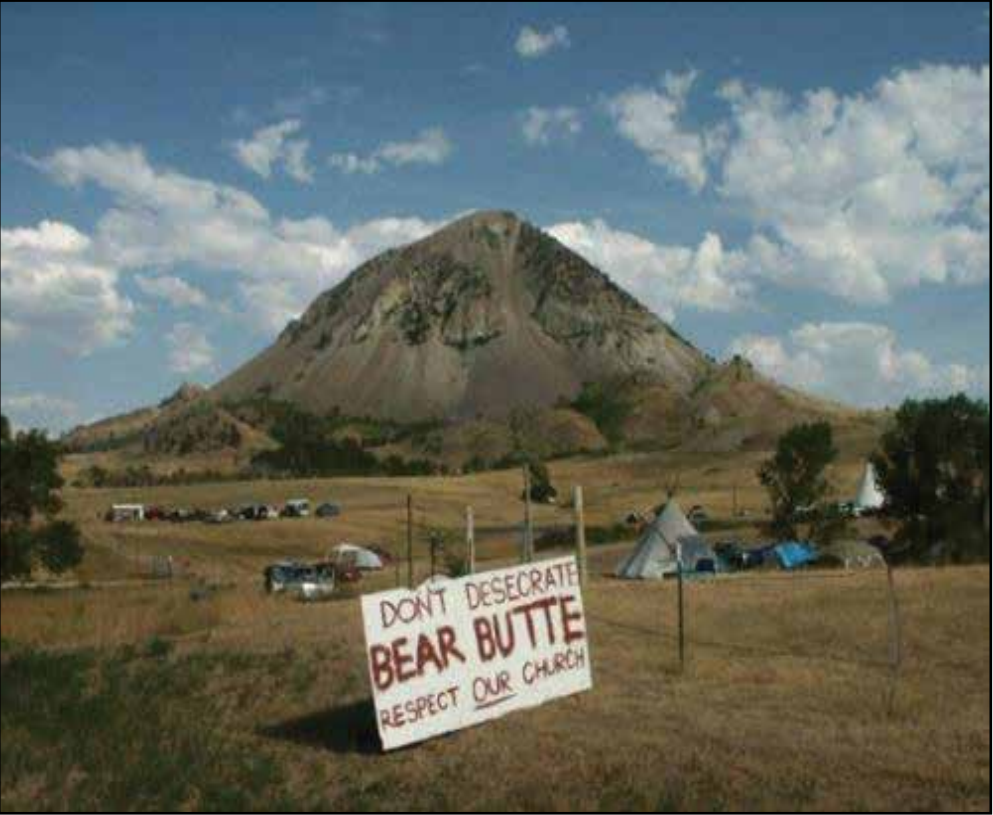
By Robin Noyes / Freelance Reporter

Bear Butte is a national state park that has long been regarded as a holy place by the Lakota-Sioux and the Cheyenne and Arapaho nations that date back 10,000 years.

The peak is a place of peace where many tribal people travel to pray leaving prayer ties, bundles and other offerings for the purpose of ceremony. Its history has included visitors such as Sitting Bull, Red Cloud and Crazy Horse, who all made their way to the site and tribal council meetings beginning in 1857 to discuss the ever growing presence of white settlers.

The tradition continues today as tribal members from the Northern and Southern Cheyenne Nations as well as the Lakota-Sioux were present in a show of respect and honor to support the preservation and protection of the site in what is now called the ‘Bear Butte Forum.’ Held in Sturgis, S.D. on April 30, representatives sat down together to discuss and exchange views on issues regarding this sacred site and to tackle issues that the site has developed in recent years.

In 2011 the National Trust for Historic Preservation included Bear Butte on its list of the 11 most endangered places. The site has many ever growing concerns resulting in controversy from biker bars rapidly overtaking the area causing intrusions and destruction, to over-harvesting the peak’s natural resources depleting it of its medicine. And individuals who have come to the mountain, staying too long,



A photo of the area surrounding Bear Butte. (Photo by Robin Noyes)

causing trouble and abusing their privileges.

This year’s forum began with a prayer by Eugene Limpy from the Northern Cheyenne Tribe of Montana. Limpy talked about the things his tribe was doing to protect the mountain, the importance of the mountain and the spiritual meaning it has for the tribes and his family. He said he was grateful that the tribes were buying some of the land that surrounds Bear Butte and how important this will be in the future and for the future generations.

However, ever growing concerns about the mountain and its future were discussed as comments were made about the media and how they always want to know what the forum is doing in a controversial way, many

times portraying the tribes as being against the city of Sturgis and the bike rallies.

It was also discussed how busy the site gets during the summer, such as last year when approximately 57 thousand people visited Bear Butte from May 1 through September 1. Figuring about three people to a vehicle it would come to about 13,500 vehicles with groups of more than a hundred at a time.

Jim Jandreau, Bear Butte Park Manager stressed the point that it’s important to conduct ceremonies but be mindful that with the number of traditional people using the ceremonial area that everyone respects everyone else also.

Last year the forum requested the park post a sign in the ceremonial parking lot that the forum supplied to

address overcrowding in the ceremonial area. The sign states that seven to 10 days was sufficient time for each ceremony leader to take care of the needs of their group and that this also adheres to the traditional values and is in no way telling any ceremonial leader that they cannot hold ceremonies at Bear Butte. This sign has been a success and there was no overcrowding in the ceremonial campground in the 2015 season.

Jandreau also emphasized how important it was to take care of the site and work together on keeping the environment clean.

“There is a lot of waste that include styrofoam and plastics left in the ceremonial area, suspected that some of it is left by tribal peowho

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Real Indian artists?

By Cedric Sunray

The current draft of HB 2261 effectively eliminates a large number of current Indian artists (to include those in visual and performing arts or literature) from continuing to produce their art and writings as Indian people without the threat of financial penalty and prison time.

Recently, two members of the Oklahoma House and Senate sponsored HB 2261 in order to overstep the authority of the federal Indian Arts & Crafts Act and redefine the term “Indian”. In their proposed bill, which recently passed the House with a 90-0 vote and is pending in the Senate, the sponsors, both of whom are citizens of the Cherokee Nation of Oklahoma, seek to redefine legitimate Indian art work, visual performance, and literature in Oklahoma as only that which is created by a citizen or enrolled member of an American Indian tribe recognized by the Bureau of Indian Affairs of the United States Department of the Interior, more commonly known as a “federally-recognized tribe.” Cherokee Nation of Oklahoma Chief Bill John Baker recently wrote an article asking for support of this bill. The emphasis for this is primarily due to the Cherokee Nation of Oklahoma’s long standing grievance with individ-

uals and groups who they feel are misappropriating Cherokee identity.

The intended or unintended consequences of this bill if passed will be significant and produce, in my opinion, a regression of sensible dialogue and ways of engaging the complexity of identity in Indian Country. The current draft of HB 2261 effectively eliminates a large number of current Indian artists (to include those in visual and performing arts or literature) from continuing to produce their art and writings as Indian people without the threat of financial penalty and prison time. In Oklahoma this will mean the elimination of the following persons from consideration as Indian artists:

1. Members of the Yuchi/Euchee Tribe of Oklahoma, whose petition for federal recognition was denied by the



George Levi (l) and Brent Learned are two well-known Cheyenne and Arapaho artists. (Photo by Shaida Tabrizi)

Office of Federal Acknowledgement in 2000, will experience extreme prejudice with the implementation of HR 2261. If passed, Yuchi/Euchee artists will be forced to misrepresent themselves as Muscogee (Creek), due to the legal reality that this tribe has federal control of the Yuchi community despite having a separate language and culture. The elimination of Yuchi representation within the state is an egregious act committed against a tribe with nu- See **HB 2261** pg. 11



‘You want a description of hell?’ Oxycontin’s 12-hour problem -Part I

By Harriet Ryan, Lisa Girion and Scott Glover

The drugmaker Purdue Pharma launched OxyContin two decades ago with a bold marketing claim, one dose relieves pain for 12 hours, more than twice as long as generic medications.

Patients would no longer have to wake up in the middle of the night to take their pills, Purdue told doctors. One OxyContin tablet in the morning and one before bed would provide “smooth and sustained pain control all day and all night.”

On the strength of that promise, OxyContin became America’s bestselling painkiller and Purdue reaped \$31 billion in revenue.

But OxyContin’s stunning success masked a fundamental problem, the drug wears off hours early in many people, a Los Angeles Times investigation found. OxyContin is a chemical cousin of heroin, and when it doesn’t last patients can experience excruciating symptoms of withdrawal, including an intense craving for the drug.

The problem offers new insight into why so many people have become addicted to OxyContin, one of the most abused pharmaceuti-

cals in U.S. history.

Purdue has known about the problem for decades. Even before OxyContin went on the market, clinical trials showed many patients weren’t getting 12 hours of relief. Since the drug’s debut in 1996, the company has been confronted with additional evidence, including complaints from doctors, reports from its own sales reps and independent research.

The company has held fast to the claim of 12-hour relief, in part to protect its revenue. OxyContin’s market dominance and its high price, up to hundreds of dollars per bottle, hinge on its 12-hour duration. Without that, it offers little advantage over less expensive painkillers.

When many doctors began prescribing OxyContin at shorter intervals in the late 1990s, Purdue executives mobilized hundreds of sales reps to “refocus” physicians on 12-hour dosing. Anything shorter “needs to be nipped in the bud. NOW!!” one manager wrote to her staff.

Purdue tells doctors to prescribe stronger doses, not more frequent ones, when

patients complain that OxyContin doesn’t last 12 hours. That approach creates risks of its own. Research shows that the more potent the dose of an opioid such as OxyContin, the greater the possibility of overdose and death.

More than half of long-term OxyContin users are on doses that public health officials consider dangerously high, according to an analysis of nationwide prescription data.

Over the last 20 years, more than seven million Americans have abused OxyContin, according to the federal government’s National Survey on Drug Use and Health. The drug is widely blamed for setting off the nation’s prescription opioid epidemic, which has claimed more than 190,000 lives from overdoses involving OxyContin and other painkillers since 1999.

The internal Purdue documents reviewed by *The LA Times* come from court cases and government investigations and include many records sealed by the courts. They span three decades, from the conception of OxyContin in the mid-1980s to

2011, and include emails, memos, meeting minutes and sales reports, as well as sworn testimony by executives, sales reps and other employees.

The documents provide a detailed picture of the development and marketing of OxyContin, how Purdue executives responded to complaints that its effects wear off early, and their fears about the financial impact of any departure from 12-hour dosing.

Reporters also examined Food and Drug Administration records, Patent Office files and medical journal articles, and interviewed experts in pain treatment, addiction medicine and pharmacology.

Experts said that when there are gaps in the effect of a narcotic like OxyContin, patients can suffer body aches, nausea, anxiety and other symptoms of withdrawal. When the agony is relieved by the next dose, it creates a cycle of pain and euphoria that fosters addiction, they said.

OxyContin taken at 12-hour intervals could be “the perfect recipe for addiction,” See **Oxycontin-Part I** pg. 7

Special Tribal Council meeting addresses seven items

By Robin Noyes / Freelance Reporter

A Special Tribal Council meeting held on Saturday May 7, 2016 in Concho, Okla. listed seven items on the agenda as follows:

Approval of the 2016 Tribal Council Budget Amendment

Approving and hiring an attorney for the Tribal Council office

Inviting the Carter Center for Democracy to monitor the 2017 Primary & General Elections

Per capping 100 percent of the Nez Perce settlement money

Bi-annual payments of \$2,500 distributed to each elder

Repealing the Tribal Council Resolution No. 050711STC-011

Authorizing the Construction of the Fonda Community Hall Building

After meeting the mandated 75-member quorum, nominations opened for chairperson and secretary. Jerry Levi was voted in as the meeting chairperson and Bobbie Hamilton was voted in as the meeting secretary. First item on the agenda, Resolution to approve budget modifications to the 2016 Tribal Council Budget was read into record. This proposed resolution was originally vetoed by the Governor on Feb. 25, 2016 and failed to be overturn during the regular session of the Legislature.

The resolution passed with a vote of 272 for, 5 against and 3 abstaining.

A motion was made and seconded to move item number six on the agenda Repealing Tribal Council Resolution No. 050711STC-011 to item number two. No vote was taken on the motion, however Tribal Council Coordinator proceeded with agenda item number six as the second item of business.

Tribal Council Resolution to repeal Tribal Council Resolution No. 050711STC-011, in which was adopted on May 7, 2011 that the Tribes’ Legislative Branch-Passed Personnel Policy (hereinafter “Tribes’ Personnel Policies”) shall not apply to the Tribal Casino Employees.

The original Tribal Council Resolution No 050711STC-011 was not repealed by a vote of 287 against, 55 for and 2 abstaining. Third item on the agenda, a Resolution for the Tribal Council to approve and hire an attorney to represent the interests of the Tribal Council Authorities and Responsibilities. A motion was made and seconded to approve the a contract to Rick Dane Moore and Associates as the Tribal Council attorney. No vote was taken on approving the motion for a specific contract for Rick Dane Moore and Associations, however the resolution passed with a vote of 216 for, 7 against and 3 abstaining.

Fourth on the agenda, a Resolution inviting the Carter Center for Democracy to monitor and observe the 2017 Primary & General Elections. This proposed resolution was vetoed by the Governor on April 12, 2016. The resolution passed with a vote of 274 for, 0 against and 0 abstaining.

Fifth item on the agenda, a Resolution that all Tribal members receive 100 percent of the Nez-Perce settlement monies in the form of per capita payments. The resolution passed with a vote of 345 for, 0 against and 0 abstaining. Sixth items on the agenda, a Resolution for a bi-annual payment of \$2,500 distributed to each elder. An amendment was added to the resolution to also increase the current elder’s food vouchers from \$150 to \$300. The amendment was approved with a vote of 341 for, 0 against and 0 abstaining. Prior to the vote on the resolution several elders addressed the Tribal Council with concerns of losing other state issued benefits (SSI, Medicare) if given the \$2,500 bi-annual payment.

The resolution with the amendment passed with a vote of 305 for, 0 against and 0 abstaining.

Last on the agenda, a Resolution authorizing the construction of a community hall in Fonda, Okla. passed with a vote 213 for, 1 against and 0 abstaining.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENROLLMENT

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Give Form to the
requester. Do not
send to the IRS.

1 Name (as shown on your income tax return). Name is required on this line; do not leave this line blank.

2 Business name/disregarded entity name, if different from above

3 Check appropriate box for federal tax classification; check only one of the following seven boxes:

☐ Individual/sole proprietor or single-member LLC	☐ C Corporation	☐ S Corporation	☐ Partnership	☐ Trust/estate
☐ Limited liability company. Enter the tax classification (C=C corporation, S=S corporation, P=partnership) ▶ _____				
Note. For a single-member LLC that is disregarded, do not check LLC; check the appropriate box in the line above for the tax classification of the single-member owner.				
☐ Other (see instructions) ▶ _____				

4 Exemptions (codes apply only to certain entities, not individuals; see instructions on page 3):
Exempt payee code (if any) _____
Exemption from FATCA reporting code (if any) _____
(Applies to accounts maintained outside the U.S.)

5 Address (number, street, and apt. or suite no.) _____

6 City, state, and ZIP code _____

7 List account number(s) here (optional) _____

Requester's name and address (optional) _____

Part I Taxpayer Identification Number (TIN)

Enter your TIN in the appropriate box. The TIN provided must match the name given on line 1 to avoid backup withholding. For individuals, this is generally your social security number (SSN). However, for a resident alien, sole proprietor, or disregarded entity, see the Part I instructions on page 3. For other entities, it is your employer identification number (EIN). If you do not have a number, see *How to get a TIN* on page 3.

Note. If the account is in more than one name, see the instructions for line 1 and the chart on page 4 for guidelines on whose number to enter.

Social security number

or

Employer identification number

Part II Certification

Under penalties of perjury, I certify that:

- The number shown on this form is my correct taxpayer identification number (or I am waiting for a number to be issued to me); and
- I am not subject to backup withholding because: (a) I am exempt from backup withholding, or (b) I have not been notified by the Internal Revenue Service (IRS) that I am subject to backup withholding as a result of a failure to report all interest or dividends, or (c) the IRS has notified me that I am no longer subject to backup withholding; and
- I am a U.S. citizen or other U.S. person (defined below); and
- The FATCA code(s) entered on this form (if any) indicating that I am exempt from FATCA reporting is correct.

Certification instructions. You must cross out item 2 above if you have been notified by the IRS that you are currently subject to backup withholding because you have failed to report all interest and dividends on your tax return. For real estate transactions, item 2 does not apply. For mortgage interest paid, acquisition or abandonment of secured property, cancellation of debt, contributions to an individual retirement arrangement (IRA), and generally, payments other than interest and dividends, you are not required to sign the certification, but you must provide your correct TIN. See the instructions on page 3.

Sign

Signature of

person

Date

General Instructions

Section references are to the Internal Revenue Code unless otherwise noted.

Future developments. Information about developments affecting Form W-9 (such as legislation enacted after we release it) is at www.irs.gov/w9.

Purpose of Form

An individual or entity (Form W-9 requester) who is required to file an information return with the IRS must obtain your correct taxpayer identification number (TIN) which may be your social security number (SSN), individual taxpayer identification number (ITIN), adoption taxpayer identification number (ATIN), or employer identification number (EIN), to report on an information return the amount paid to you, or other amount reportable on an information return. Examples of information returns include, but are not limited to, the following:

- Form 1099-INT (interest earned or paid)
- Form 1099-DIV (dividends, including those from stocks or mutual funds)
- Form 1099-MISC (various types of income, prizes, awards, or gross proceeds)
- Form 1099-B (stock or mutual fund sales and certain other transactions by brokers)
- Form 1099-S (proceeds from real estate transactions)
- Form 1099-K (merchant card and third party network transactions)

- Form 1098 (home mortgage interest), 1098-E (student loan interest), 1098-T (tuition)
- Form 1099-C (canceled debt)
- Form 1099-A (acquisition or abandonment of secured property)

Use Form W-9 only if you are a U.S. person (including a resident alien), to provide your correct TIN.

If you do not return Form W-9 to the requester with a TIN, you might be subject to backup withholding. See *What is backup withholding?* on page 2.

By signing the filled-out form, you:

- Certify that the TIN you are giving is correct (or you are waiting for a number to be issued).
- Certify that you are not subject to backup withholding, or
- Claim exemption from backup withholding if you are a U.S. exempt payee. If applicable, you are also certifying that as a U.S. person, your allocable share of any partnership income from a U.S. trade or business is not subject to the withholding tax on foreign partners' share of effectively connected income, and
- Certify that FATCA code(s) entered on this form (if any) indicating that you are exempt from the FATCA reporting, is correct. See *What is FATCA reporting?* on page 2 for further information.

COLLEGE SIGNING DAY

NICK SMITH / EL RENO HIGH SCHOOL



Cheyenne & Arapaho Athletes Representing! Congratulations!

Nick Smith, El Reno High School signs with Seminole State College, Seminole, Okla. to continue his baseball career.

Smith will be playing under Seminole College head baseball coach Lloyd “Z” Simmons, who was recently honored as “College Coach of the Year” by the Oklahoma Baseball Coaches Association.



Honor banquet

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Clinton High School graduate Karisten Whiteshirt receives a congratulations from keynote speaker Dwight Pickering, Oklahoma State Dept. of Education Director of American Indian Education. (Photo by Rosemary Stephens)

ucator being introduced by Wanda Whiteman, Higher Education Coordinator.

“I would say we are very proud of Dr. Stevens. I always heard his name in higher ed but he never came through our scholarship program and he never asked for assistance. So through the years I’ve often wondered about him and a couple of months ago he popped into the office while he was in the area. He stopped by to say hi,” Whiteman said. “He is a surgeon down at the Chickasaw Indian Health Services and he did a surgery on my daughter-in-law and she came home and said, ‘there is a Cheyenne doctor down at the Chickasaw Indian Health Center.’ I want you to know we are so very proud of you and you have made your tribe very proud of you.”

Stevens said all the themes of everyone who had addressed the graduates were common in nature, finding mentors, hard work, setting goals and planning a path.

“In order to help your tribe and Native people in general and beyond that

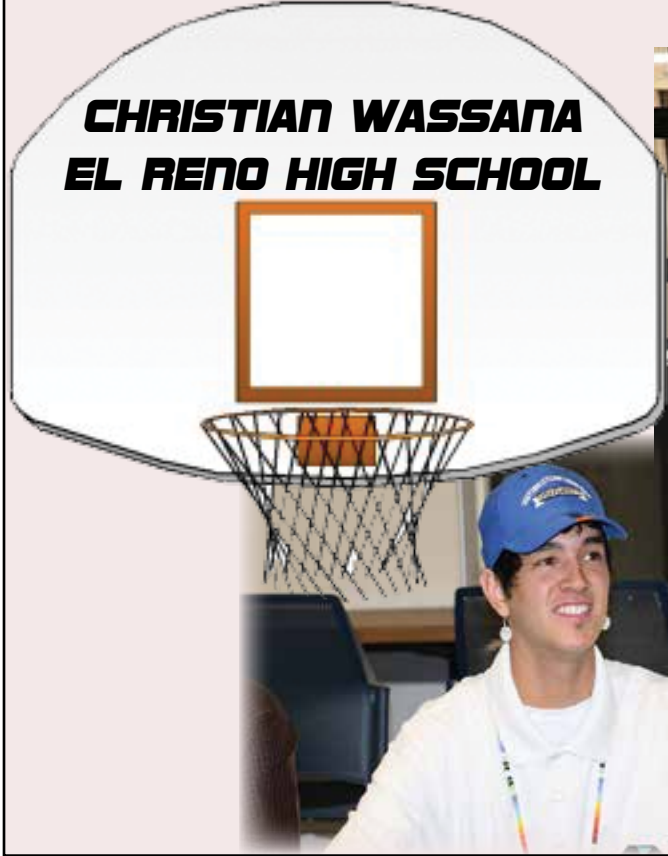
American people, you must first become educated so that you can gain your own independence and obtain sovereignty of yourself,” Stevens said.

The ceremony followed with each graduate being recognized as they made their way down a receiving line shaking hands with guest speakers, education staff, Governor Hamilton, Lt. Gov. Cornell Sankey and others. They were handed a tipi hand crafted by Cheyenne and Arapaho tribal member Denise Turtle and an incentive check.

Once the Education Department confirms the final transcripts, high school students receive \$150, associate degree students receive \$300, bachelor degree students receive \$400, masters degree students receive \$500 and doctorate students receive \$600.

Complimentary t-shirts were given to all guests with artwork by award winning Native artist Brent Learned.

The graduation ceremony closed with a prayer given by elder Belva Hicks.



Christian Wassana, El Reno High School signed with Southwest Christian College to play basketball on May 11, 2016.

Wassana will be part of the NAIA Division I team under head coach Dave Bliss and assistant coach Rick McCormick.

Wassana played four years under El Reno HS Coach Rodney Haydon.



Battle on the Plainz

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I promote. I never try to say I am the best role model and I have like two million views on YouTube, so I am always mindful of that and when I became an emcee, a rapper I knew there was a responsibility with that, especially as a Native artist. I tell the young artist coming up I say our people we come from this and we need positivity and we need life and all the hope we can get. As an artist say something that will uplift the people.”

Supaman used the stage at the Battle on the Plainz to address an issue impacting Native communities across the country speaking about suicide prevention. He travels throughout the country performing, always attempting to take time to reach out to the youth wherever he travels, hoping to give encouragement and lead by example of living a life centered in spirituality and sobriety.

“I am blessed with a wife that says go out enjoy life. I have three kids, that are healthy, happy. My daughter is 20, son 16 and my youngest son is 6. The message of positivity is my message, drug and alcohol free. I always start off in prayer right away, we Natives we always open things

with prayer. Then you bust out some comedy because both are powerful, prayer and laughter and you have their attention then and that’s when you give them the music,” Supman told CATV in an interview. “In my younger years hip hop had this spirit of pride thing to overcome and as an emcee I am just trying to be positive and I have learned as an emcee there is a structure of writing, it’s a skill of writing hip hop, and you get them with the positive message. I am blessed in a lot of ways.”

Hip hop has been around for many years being characterized by four distinct elements, all of which represent the different manifestations of the culture. The four elements are rap music (oral), ‘turntablism’ or DJing (aural), b-boying (physical) and graffiti art (visual). Even as hip hop continues to evolve, these four foundational elements are basic to the hip hop culture.

For the Ha’Stylez Crew, they will continue to embrace the Native culture, along with the youth to promote positive lifestyles through the music, the dancing, the art.

Follow the Ha’Stylez on Facebook www.facebook.com/thehastylez.



DG-Railroading

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“The great artifice of the AAR’s argument is [that it is] not just about trains,” said Reed. “It extends to roads, pipelines, telephone lines, utilities, cell towers, coastal waterways and shipping lanes on easements and rights-of-way that are owned, leased or granted by the railroads. It includes every conceivable commercial interest involving energy, communications, trucking, transportation, shipping and warehousing on or near Indian lands.

“And evidently they want absolutely no legal consequences for torts, contract violations, or even civil liability for criminal acts against the tribes, their members—or their children.” Under most current tribal business practices, Reed said, corporations regularly and willingly agree to submit to tribal jurisdiction in order to do business on Indian lands.

The AAR did not respond to ICTMN requests for comment by press time.

‘An Enormous Scam’

The roots of the present case arose in the 1850s, when the slave and non-slave states competed for control of the first transcontinental railroad to the Pacific.

Sen. Stephen A. Douglas of Illinois, hoping to secure a rail connection to Chicago, contrived and pushed through the Kansas-Nebraska Act, which paved the way for the building of the Union Pacific in the 1860s and helped trigger the Civil War. It is considered one of the worst political blunders in American history, said Eliott West, the Alumni Distinguished Professor of History at the University of Arkansas and a specialist in the social and environmental history of the American West, setting the stage for removing tens of thousands of Indian people off their lands to clear the way for the railroads.

“The development of the transcontinentals was an enormous scam. The railroads were built by men who used [free land grants from the government] to make themselves enormous amounts of money,” said West. “The thinking was, ‘If you build it, they will come.’ And they were intent on bringing in settlers, farmers and ranchers.

“But the trouble with that theory was, there was nothing to farm. The land was not arable for crop production in the Northern Plains. So, you

had all this scrambling to connect railroads—out in the middle of nowhere.”

Though non-Indian populations in the Plains have continued to dwindle in the last century, what remained, said West, are the railroads and their indigenous neighbors. The tribes, therefore, have an even higher stake in ensuring that their communities are safe from any disasters that may befall them, regardless of whether those disasters arises from corporate, environmental or human error.

“You cannot claim to begin to understand the context of the Dollar General case in American history unless you can grasp and recognize the point of view of the cultures and people who were here so much longer and yet have somehow managed to survive,” said West, the author of The Last Indian War: The Nez Perce Story (Oxford University Press, 2009). “Unless you make some effort to look at these events through their eyes, you’ll never get it.”

‘We’re Not Stuck’

Having endured centuries of broken treaties, governmental neglect, and the tension between Congress and

the courts over the welfare and legal status of Indian tribes, establishing their own court systems and legal codes were necessary to protect their lands and people, said Brian Cladoosby, chairman of the National Congress of American Indians.

He dismissed the AAR’s contention that dispute resolution in Indian country is “fraught with uncertainty.” Tribes, he argued, are modern governments with court systems that are as sophisticated as their non-Indian municipal counterparts.

“The railroads’ mentality is still in the 19th century, but we as Indian nations are in the 21st century, with many of us being the number one job producers in our respective states. Tribes are directly responsible for creating nearly a million jobs in the American economy,” Cladoosby told ICTMN.

“So the mentality that we are still invisible and incapable is really archaic thinking. If they took a closer look at what we’re doing, they would see that we’re not stuck in remote, landlocked areas, but are, in fact, some of the most successful business entrepreneurs in the country.”

Taking Note of Running Greatness



El Reno Burger Day Fun Run May 7
Carley Kihega, Evan RomanNose, Stephanie RomanNose, Carter RomanNose, Cody Tallbear, Cara RomanNose, Teresa Dorsett, Chris RomanNose, Rachelle RomanNose, Adam Youngbear, Daniel Tallbear and Beverley Jaquez won the team division.

Oklahoma City Memorial Marathon - April 24, 2016
Lloyd Jenkins & Nona RomanNose-Jenkins - Nona ran the 10K relay leg, then both Nona and Lloyd completed the full marathon. Lloyd is Northern Arapaho from Wyoming and they reside in Oklahoma City with their two future marathoners!



Red Bud Classic, April 9-10 - Cheyenne & Arapaho Team
Stephanie RomanNose, Hauli Sioux-Gray, Marshall Medicine Bear, Rachelle RomanNose, Carrie Whitlow, Daniel Tallbear, Beverly Jaquez and Cody Tallbear placed 2nd in the team division.

Daniel TallBear also completed the full marathon on April 24.
Denny Medicine Bird, Stephanie RomanNose, Carrie Whitlow, Marshall Medicine Bear and Cody Tallbear competed in the Marathon Relay, placing 7th in the corporate mix division.





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Thawes - 8:25 a.m. - Terrier Express
Weatherford - 8:50 a.m. - Shopping Center
El Reno - 9:30 a.m. - Walmart
Kingsfisher - 8:35 a.m. - Walmart
OKC - 9:25 a.m. - Walmart on Reno/Markethe
Selling - 8:05 a.m. - Shell
Clinton - 8:30 a.m. - Shell
Weatherford - 8:50 a.m. - Food Distribution
Gentry - 9:30 a.m. - North Store

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BRIEFS AT A GLANCE

Tribal Court Procedures
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The 10th annual Native American Economic Development Conference

June 6-7, 2016 at the Disney’s Grand Californian Hotel & Spa in Anaheim, Calif. For more information or to register visit www.nativenationevents.org.

Native American Stu-

dent Advocacy Institute’s Many Nations, One Vision Conference

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The 2016 Native Innovation Education Technology Conference

June 10-11, 2016 at the Twin Arrows Navajo Casino Resort in Flagstaff, Ariz. For more information or to register visit www.nativeinnovation.com.

Management Skills for New Supervisors within Tribal Organizations

June 13-14, 2016 at the Westin Hotel in Las Vegas, Nev. For more information or to register visit www.falmouthinstitute.com.

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Understanding the Indian Self-Determination Act-Contracting and Compacting Under P.L. 93-638

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The 2016 National UNITY Conference

July 22-26, 2016 at the Cox Convention Center in Oklahoma City. For more information or to register visit www.classy.org/oklahoma-city/events/2016-national-unity-conference/e65312.

Fundamentals of Grant Writing

July 28-29, 2016 at the Platinum Hotel in Las Vegas, Nev. For more information visit www.falmouthinstitute.com.

Oxycontin - Part I

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said Theodore J. Cicero, a neuropharmacologist at the Washington University School of Medicine in St. Louis and a leading researcher on how opioids affect the brain.

Patients in whom the drug doesn't last 12 hours can suffer both a return of their underlying pain and "the beginning stages of acute withdrawal," Cicero said. "That becomes a very powerful motivator for people to take more drugs."

Peter Przekop, a neuroscientist and physician who oversees the treatment of painkiller addicts at the Betty Ford Center in Rancho Mirage, said that repeated episodes of withdrawal from OxyContin "absolutely" raise the risk that patients will abuse the medication.

"You are messing with those areas of the brain that are involved in addiction, and you are going to get the person dependent on it," he said.

The Times sought comment from Purdue's scientists and executives. At the company's request, the newspaper submitted detailed questions in writing. Purdue responded with a one-page statement noting that the FDA approved OxyContin as a 12-hour drug.

"Scientific evidence amassed over more than 20 years, including more than a dozen controlled clinical studies, supports FDA's approval of 12-hour dosing for OxyContin," Purdue's chief medical officer, Dr. Gail Cawkwell, said.

Company officials said in the same statement that "the people at Purdue have dedicated themselves to helping address our nation's opioid epidemic."

As an LAPD officer, Ernest Gallego was fearless. He broke up bar fights and street brawls. During a torrential rainstorm in 1980, he waded into a flooded intersection to rescue two motorists.

He was on duty in Echo Park seven years later when a tow truck slammed into his patrol car, leaving him with a career-ending back injury. He had several surgeries and tried various pain medications over the next two decades.

By 2012, he was on OxyContin. His parents and siblings watched and worried as the strong, fastidiously neat man they knew became wobbly on his feet and unkempt. His father, an attorney, wrote letters on his law office letterhead pleading with his son's doctor to take him off the drug, and his mother hid any OxyContin bottles she found, Gallego's sister, Kathryn Galvan, recalled.

"He was having car accidents, fender benders. Very groggy all the time," she said. He spent much of his day sleeping. When confronted, "He would say, 'I have it under control. I know what I'm doing.'"

When his mother died in 2012, Gallego showed up at the funeral disheveled and confused.

A month and a half later, a police officer found him slumped over the steering wheel of his car in a convenience store parking lot and took him to the hospital, according to a coroner's report and his sister. The next evening, he laid down on the floor of his father's living room in La Verne, as he often did to relieve his pain. He never awoke. He was 58.

A toxicology test showed lethal levels of oxycodone



"I have it under control. I know what I'm doing." - Kathryn Galvan recalling the words of her brother, Ernest P. Gallego Gallego died. A toxicology test showed lethal levels of oxycodone in his blood.

in his blood. The label on an OxyContin bottle found nearby directed Gallego to take an 80 milligram pill every 12 hours, according to the coroner's office. Based on the date Gallego filled the prescription, there should have been 44 pills left. There were seven.

Purdue developed OxyContin as a cure for pain, and for a financial problem.

The company's owners were the Sacklers, a New York family of physicians and philanthropists who bought Purdue in 1952. By the late 1980s, the patent on its main source of revenue, a morphine pill for cancer patients called MS Contin, was running out. Executives anticipated a massive loss of revenue as generic versions drove down the price of MS Contin, according to internal company correspondence from the period.

The company was focused on finding a new moneymaker. In a 1990 memo, Robert F. Kaiko, VP for clinical research, laid out why it was important to develop a second painkiller.

"MS Contin may even-

tually face such serious generic competition that other controlled-release opioids must be considered," Kaiko wrote.

Purdue already had developed a technique to stretch a drug's release over time. In MS Contin, the technique made morphine last eight to 12 hours. Kaiko and his colleagues decided to use it on an old, cheap narcotic, oxycodone.

Sold under several names and formulations, including Percocet and Roxicodone, oxycodone controls pain for up to six hours.

With the delayed-release technique, executives theorized, the drug would last 12 hours, at least twice as long as generics and the high end of MS Contin's range.

Over the next decade, Purdue sunk more than \$40 million into development of OxyContin, Paul D. Goldenheim, then vice-president of scientific and medical affairs, wrote in a 2003 court declaration.

Sales and marketing representatives gathered at the company's headquarters, See **Oxycontin-Part I** pg. 11

Recognizing Honors at Darlington



On April 28, 2016 four outstanding students from Darlington Elementary School were inducted into the Canadian County Elementary School Honor Society.

L-R: Abrianna Prairiechief, Bobbie Botone, Krystiana Guzman and Sierra Sioux were recognized for their outstanding accomplishments in the classroom.

New Grant and Contract for Department of Health

On May 5, 2016 Nicolas Barton, Executive Director of the Department of Health, announced confirmation of a grant entitled *Good Health and Wellness* (GHW) the Southern Plains Tribal Health Board (SPTHB) – Oklahoma Area Tribal Epidemiology Center and a contract called 'M-Power' from the Oklahoma State Department of Health (OSDH).

Barton also announced that both the GHW and 'M-Power' will be supervised by the Health Education Program, enhancing the program.

Funding for the GHW grant comes from the Centers for Disease Control award. The Cheyenne and Arapaho tribes are sub-awarded from the SPTHB. It is intended to augment current projects and/or to implement short term projects. According to funding requirements these projects address commercial tobacco use, secondhand smoke, nutrition, physical activity or tribal community health assessment.

In a pamphlet about the Office of the Tribal Liaison

from the OSDH, it states the M-Power Program is developed off of a strategy developed by the World Health Organization (WHO). The strategy is to reduce the burden of tobacco use. The M-Power name is actually an acronym, which stands for Making-Policy Outreach Wellness Equity Reality. The contract states goals like increasing fruit and vegetable consumption, increasing exercise, eliminating exposure to secondhand smoke and decreasing the number of tobacco users.

Community surveys will be the first big activity. Community surveys will be done June 6-17. The Health Education Program needs addresses of those who want to do a survey. When a survey is completed, the participant will receive an incentive item of up to \$20 in value. All participants must live within the Cheyenne and Arapaho tribes' service area.

For more information call the Health Education Program at 405-422-7674 or 405-422-7676 or email their address to dellis@c-a-tribes.org.



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ITEMS

Teen health, focus of area health departments

By Rosemary Stephens
Editor-in-Chief

Focusing on teen health today paves the way to healthy adults in the future. At least that is what Saundra Main, Canadian County Health Department (CCHD) hopes.

“This is our first Teen Health Fair and the purpose is to get teens familiar with our services and getting them comfortable with coming to the health department. Ultimately that’s what we would like to happen and then we can reach out to educate them on teen health issues,” Main said.

The fair, held May 3 at the Canadian County Health Department in El Reno, Okla. was a smorgasbord of informational booths, exercise area, a vision impaired obstacle course all amidst the sound of music.

Literature on topics ranging from teen stress, obesity, bullying, tattooing, teen suicides and impaired driving were spread atop tabletops along with many representatives from different organizations to personally talk

Bear Butte

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don’t clean up after themselves,” Jandreau said.

He stressed the importance of preserving the area so it does not ruin the integrity of the mountain.

Comments were made about doing more education maybe making DVDs about the importance of Bear Butte, the history and spiritual meanings it has. Ignorance can be a problem and it was again emphasized that there is a need to do things in a good way and respect others including the animals, insects, etc.This may help the non-tribal people understand why it is so important to the tribes.

Guest speaker Nancy Hilding with the Prairie Hills Audubon Society addressed the forum concerning the Full Throttle Saloon and its owner Michael Ballard. Ballard is in the process of buying land in excess of 500 acres just north of Bear



Connor Bushyhead distributes information to teens on the health dangers of obesity and healthy lifestyles during the Teen Health Fair in El Reno, Okla. (Photos by Rosemary Stephens)

with the teens as they made their way around the room.

“The purpose of this obstacle course shows kids what it actually feels like to try and maneuver under the influence of alcohol and to show kids what they can do sober and what will happen when they drink,” Laura Shepherd, Oklahoma Department of State Health, registered nurse, said. “The goggles we put on them will give the affect of drinking depending on which goggles they wear, one set mimics the affects of two beers and the other set of goggles is completely intoxicated. Their reflexes are slowed, their behavior is inhibited and it



Jeanine Seger share information to teens about how to manage stress and suicide prevention.

really does show them first hand the dangers of drinking.”

The CCHD will be hosting another Teen Health Fair in the fall.

For more information about the health department or the health fair call 405-262-0042.

Indians that use the site for spiritual and cultural uses and for generations to come.

Bill Means from Oglala, who is on the Treaty Council with the United Nations, suggested that the forum look into the possibility of getting Bear Butte in a status that recognizes the mountain as a world monument and of its importance to everyone.

“The mountain is something our younger generation needs to know about. What the story is and what our culture and traditions are regarding Bear Butte,” Buddy Hatch, Cheyenne & Arapaho tribes said. “Our grandmothers and our grandfathers need to tell our children the stories and why the mountain is so sacred to us. To white people Bear Butte means biker bars and parties but to our people it means Bear Butte. our sacred mountain.”

Butte to build another bar.

The current saloon which burnt down last fall, is in the process of being rebuilt. This facility is known as the largest biker bar in the world. Hilding felt like the forum should know about this and the impact this could have on the Bear Butte area.

Tribal representatives discussed reaching out for support from the Department of Tribal Relations and South Dakota Game, Fish and Parks. Harold Salway, past chairman of the Oglala Sioux tribe and current Director of the Oglala Parks and Recreation Authority addressed the forum and said there was a strong need to unite on issues like this even though most tribes have their own issues.

Shawn Bordeau a representative on the Culture committee at Rosebud, spoke of wanting to help and protect Bear Butte for all

Swing into Health

Submitted by Deborah Ellis, Health Education

June is Men’s Health Month.

Several health organizations such as the Health Education Program, Community Health Representatives (CHR) Program, Diabetes Wellness, SPF-TIG Program, R.E.Sp.E.C.T. Program, Clinton Service Unit, Integris, Southern Plains Tribal Health Board and county health departments are working together to observe this awareness day.

On June 8, 2016, Men’s Health Day will be held at RomanNose State Park from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Registration begins at 9 a.m. The day will included health screenings, presentations and activities.

Last year, Integris brought an army of staff to provide the health screenings. Again,

Mike Chavez of Integris Men’s Health is working to do the same this year.

RomanNose State Park is renting out an area of the park called Deer Run where the conference will be held.

Overnight camping sites will be designated for our use. Camping will begin on June 7 and campers need to bring a bed roll.

No women or children are allowed to camp and advanced sign-up is required.

Please call the Health Education Program at 405-422-7674. The CHR Program will provide transportation on the day of the conference. If a ride is needed, please call the CHR Program at 405-422-7670 by Wednesday, June 1.



OPEN RECRUITMENT EVENTS FOR CHEYENNE & ARAPAHO HEAD START CENTERS

➔ 10 A.M. - 4 P.M. JUNE 13-15 CANTON HEAD START

➔ 10 A.M. - 4 P.M. JUNE 14 & 16 CLINTON HEAD START

➔ 10 A.M. - 4 P.M. JUNE 14-15 CONCHO HEAD START

Please Bring the Following Documents:

- Proof of Income
- Birth Certificate
- Social Security Card
- Medical/Sooner Care Card
- Immunization (Shot) Record
- CDIB (If Applicable)
- Court Documents (If Applicable)

Point of Contacts For Information:

CANTON: Bobbie 580-309-3174 or Shelene 580-445-4235

CLINTON: Terri 580-445-4229

CONCHO: Lisa 405-227-2055 or Aubrey 405-990-3945



Summer Corn Soup

2-3 tbsp olive oil
1/2 large white onion, chopped
2 cloves garlic, minced
4 small red potatoes, quartered
Sea salt and ground black pepper
3 ears corn (or 1.5 cans) kernels sliced off
2 cups veggie broth
2 cups unsweetened plain almond milk (or regular milk)
2-3 green onions, chopped

In a large saucepan over medium heat add olive oil, onion, garlic and sute for 3-4 minutes. Add potatoes, season with a little salt and pepper and cover to steam for 4-5 minutes.

Add most of the corn, reserving a little for garnish. Add broth and milk, cover and bring to a low boil. Reduce heat to low, cook until potatoes are soft, about 5 minures.



Serve top with chopped green onion, remaining corn and black pepper. Add a sprinkle of paprika for color.



POWWOWS & EVENTS CALENDAR

Oklahoma Indian Nation's Powwow Committee Princess Coronation Dance

5 p.m. May 20, 2016 at the Darlington School Gym in El Reno, Okla. Crowning of the 2016 Royalty, Senior Miss TBA, Junior Miss Santana Moquino and Little Miss Ella Snow Lehi.

Honoring Outgoing 2015 Princesses Senior Miss Cassandra Candy, Junior Miss Santana Moquino and Little Miss Bella Kodaseet.

MC Alan Fletcher, HS Redstone Drum Group, HMD James Yellowfish, HLD Lena Nells, HLB Bryce Longknife, HLG Carley Kihaga, AD Caydon Brown.

Memorial Powwow for Donald Spottedcorn Jr.

May 21, 2016 at the Canton Gym in Canton, Okla. Gourd dance begins at 1 p.m., Spottedcorn Family Memorial at 2 p.m., supper at 6 p.m. and grand entry at 7 p.m.

MC Burl Buffalomeat and Eddie Mahseet, HS Rick and Jimmy Anquoe Jr., HGD George Akeen, HMWD JR Lonelodge, HL Tam-

my Seger Rios, HTB Devin Whiteman, HTG Veronica Kay Youngbull, HLB Jayden Plentybears, HLG Tina Ortiz, Honored Elder Gloria Uranga, Honored Family Jerry Redman Sr., Honored Arapaho Veteran Alvin Sage, Honored Cheyenne Veteran Randy Hawk, ADs Ralph Birdshead and Greg Fletcher.

Graduation Dance for Heather Big Medicine & Chase Barr Pointe

May 21, 2016 at the Watonga Multi-Purpose Building in Watonga, Okla. Supper at 5 p.m. with dance to follow.

Honoree Heather will graduate on May 20 from Watonga Middle School where she is in the gifted & talented class and Honor Roll.

Honoree Chase will graduate May 20 from Shawnee Middle School where he is on the Honor Roll.

MC Gerald Panana, HS Don Patterson, HMD Kendricks Sleeper, HWD Bobbie Ann Hamilton, AD Herbie Daniels, Honored Elder Viola Hatch, Honored Chief Rory Little Raven and Hon-

ored Veteran James Blackbear Jr.

Sixteenth Birthday Dance for Nicole “Nikki” Turtle

May 22, 2016 at the Clinton Community Center in Clinton, Okla. Gourd dancing begins at 3 p.m.

MC Wilbur Bullcoming, HS Max “Hoolie” Watan, HM Alfred White Shirt Sr., HL Karen Little Coyote, LB Taerik Burns (1) and Eristeo “Abu” Sandoval Jr., LG Lillian Lime, AD Guner & Dakota Gould, Honored Family Terry & Jolene Byrd family, Honored Veteran Trevor Aquilar.

Family Craft Time

5 p.m. - 8 p.m. May 24, 2016 at the Concho Community Center in Concho, Okla.

Family Craft Time is free classes for all Cheyenne and Arapaho tribal members sponsored by the R.E.Sp.E.C.T. Program, Culture & Heritage and the SPF-TIG Program.

Craft will be parfleche envelopes. Supplies will be provided. Children will be making a similar project and

must be accompanied and monitored by an adult at all times. For more information call 405-422-7428.

2016 Chilocco Annual National Association Reunion

May 26-29, 2016 at the First Council Casino in New Kirk, Okla. and the Chilocco campus. The Chilocco Reunion will be honoring the golden class of 1966 for its 50th year anniversary. Members of the class of 1966 are encouraged to attend. Registration contact is Emma Jean Falling, evening telephone 918-266-1626. Contacts for the class of 1966 are Clarence Johnson, 918-752-9512 or Pauletta Elephant Johnson 918-812-8603 or 918-366-6158.

Marine Corps Honor Dance for Wyatt Scott Candy, ‘Bird Comes in Sight’

May 28, 2016 at the Hammon Community Center in Hammon, Okla. Gourd dance at 4 p.m., supper at 6 p.m.

MC Eugene Blackbear, HS Jason Goodblanket, HMD William Tallbear Sr.,

HLD Rique Richardson, HLB Damon Alexander, HLG Juliana Farias, AD Benny ‘JB’ Highwalker, Host Red Moon War Mothers and Co-Host Red Moon Gourd Clan.

Wyatt will be graduating on May 20 from the U.S. Marine Corps in San Diego, Calif. He will return for School of Infantry training immediately after graduation.

Wyatt is the son of Rector and Rachel Candy, grandson of the late Robert and Maxine Candy and the late Joseph and Nadine Orange.

For information call Veronica Candy at 580-715-2233.

Graduation Celebration for Casey Levi and Crowning of the American Indian Exposition Cheyenne Princess & Arapaho Princess

May 28, 2016 at the Concho Community Center in Concho, Okla. Gourd dancing begins at 1 p.m., evening meal at 5 p.m. with Paint Ceremony before dance. Grand Entry for junior and teens will be at 2 p.m. with contests to follow.

Crowning of AIE Chey-

enne Princess Rachel RomanNose and AIE Arapaho Princess Casey Levi.

Grand Entry for adults and golden age categories will be at 7 p.m. with Intertribal dancing and contests to follow.

MC Moses Starr, HS Ryan Roanhorse, HGD Alan Yeahquo, HMD Edmond Nevaquaya, HLD Rachelle RomanNose, Northern Drum MGM Singers, AD Roy Bates.

All vendors are welcomed. Sponsored by the family of Casey Levi.

CHR Summer Safety Fair

10 a.m. - 3 p.m. June 1, 2016 at the Seiling Little Gym in Seiling, Okla.

Transportation will be provided by the CHR Program from all communities.

Events / topics include driving simulation, water safety, weather safety, CPR/First Aid, injury prevention, powwow safety, distracted driving and more.

Reserve transportation by May 27 by calling 405-422.7670. First 25 registered participants will receive pool passes.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY



I'm so proud of you in everything that you do, everything that you accomplish! I couldn't ask of a better role model for your 5 younger siblings. They all adore you and look up to you. I'm so excited to see what you will become these next 4 years! You are becoming a beautiful young lady, inside and out! I can't wait to see all your dreams come true baby! WNBA..someday!

Happy 15th Birthday Arianna Nicole Long!

Love, Mom, the niblets and Jake and Juls!!



Happy Birthday May 10 Ashlynn

You are treasured by us and by everyone that has been graced by your presence!

Happy 4th Birthday from sissy Bretlynn, mommy, and your whole family. We love you!



Happy Birthday Bob Lambull

May 14

Happy Birthday Bob. God blessed our family and your friends when you were born. Your warm heart and ability to make people laugh and feel good are a blessing. Your gift of gab makes people feel at ease and lighten up. Your generous heart and willingness to help people in need is an inspiration to us all.

Your brother Bill Lambull



Happy Birthday Brother!

I'm blessed to have a brother who is as wonderful as you.

May you have many, many more good year, fine times and great memories to share!

I love you - Your big sis Courtney



Happy Birthday Justin Hamilton

05.15.89

Happy birthday to my lil big brother hope you get everything you wished for and then some! You're an awesome dad and brother hope your birthday is special.

Love ya always your sister, Leah, nieces Carlina and Cayli, nephews Lil GP, King and the twins.



Happy Birthday May 21 LaKendra Gould

"Voestaa'e"

May our Creator bless you with good health and happiness! Love you, Momma Karen Little Coyote/"Voestaa'e"



Happy 2nd Birthday To Our Baby LeeAnn Louise Pratt!

Lots of Love From Mama, Sissy, Daddy & Family.



Happy Birthday Dee Ann Alexander - May 21

Your drive and dedication to your profession is inspirational. You are the good sister and good friend people can rely on and appreciate.. Your adventurous spirit and fun loving soul make people glad to know you. You make me very proud to be your brother.

Love Bill Lambull



Congratulations to Jesse A. Tapia for finishing U.S. Marines base training on April 22. I am so proud of you and your accomplishments. All our prayers are with you.



Kendra Tapaha

Kendra is the daughter of Wilma Tapaha & Michael Weasel. She will be graduating from Clinton HS this year.

Her maternal grandparents are Leda Joyce Walking Night and the late Henry Tapaha of Seiling, Okla.

Her paternal grandparents are the late Richard & Georgina Weasel of Ft. Belknap, MT.

Kendra will be attending SWOSU in the fall majoring in Business Administration.

We are very proud of her and wish her the best with all her future endeavors.

We love you, Kendra!



Congratulations to Phyllisha and Rayna Patton for qualifying in the Shot Put & Discus at the Class 4A Track.

We are so proud of you!



Happy 73rd Birthday May 3

to my beautiful auntie Viola Hines!

Thank you for everything you do for your family. You're a wonderful mother, grandma, sister and auntie! We all love and cherish you in our lives! Hope you had a wonderful time on your special day! Love you and may God bless you with many more birthdays to come!

Love, Nova & family

Happy Birthday to Kenny Sequichie

Life's Lesson from a Butterfly

Let go of the past, Trust the future Embrace Change Come out of the Cocoon Unfurl your wings

Dare to get off the ground Ride on the breezes Savior all the flowers Put on your brightest colors

Let your beauty show! You very special 'snagluv' Dana Ruthie



Happy Birthday Charles Brady Gray-May 28

You've come a long way. May God continue to guide and direct your path. We love you very much and

only want the best for you even though you came two months early and stayed in the hospital for two weeks.

God puts us all on this earth for a purpose and a reason. Only God knows why! Even though you are a single parent, your purpose is to watch Isha graduate from high school and watch her become an adult, get married and have her own family. The cycle of life goes on.

So Charles, be the best daddy in the world to Isha. Be the best brother to Jinxie, Mikey, Emily and C.J. and

be the best son you can be.

You are a big kid at heart. You are humble and you were always mischievous and ornery at times. You enjoy life so much. We taught you morals and values right from wrong. To you life is one big party. God loves us all no matter what. God love you Charles Brady Gray and so do we.

Your family, the Grays Cecil (dad), Carmen (mom), Jinxie, Haulie, Glory, Tahlo, Isha, Mikey, Lacey, Breanna, RaeLynn, Emily, C.J. and grandma Beulah



Rest In Peace Carrie Sue Hamilton

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An Eternal Memory / Until We Meet Again

Those special memories of you will always bring a smile,

If only I could have you back for just a little while. Then we could sit and talk again, just like we used to do.

You always meant so very much and always will too.

The fact that you're no longer here will always cause me pain

But you're forever in my heart until we meet again.

Heetce'noohobe3en nebi Biixoo3een,

Your sisters, Leah, Gracie and Desi, your brothers, Will, Justin and Sean, mom & dad and all your nieces and nephews.

The c&a WALKING CLUB

The purpose of the walking club is to improve the health, wellness and physical activity of C&A Tribal Members. Through walking and other forms of physical activity we will strive to become a healthier Cheyenne & Arapaho Nation!

Inviting Cheyenne & Arapaho Tribal Members & Employees to join us for a 1 mile walk and/or 2 mile run at the following locations:

MAY 17 @ Clinton Community Building
MAY 24 @ Concho Walking Trail
12:00 p.m. - 1:00 p.m.

Water & Fruit provided by Respect Program
Nutrition Ed Demo provided by Green House Project
In Collaboration with the Diabetes Wellness Program
Please remember to bring your walking logs!

For Info: 405-422-7585

Pedometers & Walking Logs Provided:

Incentives for reaching mile markers: 25, 50, 75, 100 Mile Club, 150, 200, 250, 300 Mile Club, 350, 400, 450, 500 Mile Club, etc.

Cheyenne Arapaho Youth Council ART CONTEST MURAL PROJECT

We are having an art contest.

THEME: CHEYENNE ARAPAHO CULTURE OPEN TO EVERYBODY

Deadline: June 6th, 2016 for all artwork submissions

PRIZES: TBA

Submit artwork to the Respect Program in care of Cheyenne Arapaho Youth Council.

Artwork will be used as part of the Youth Council in our Beautification Projects in the tribal community buildings.

Find us on Facebook: CheyenneArapaho YouthCouncil
P.O. BOX 143 Concho, OK 73022
Office 405-422-7585
Fax 405-422-8264
Made by Calista Reed, Treasurer

R.E.S.p.E.C.T. Program

Activities @ Red Moon Pow Wow - Harmon, OK

May 29, 2016

Registration for all Events: 9:00 a.m.

WE WILL BEGIN ON TIME!

9:30 A.M. - 10:00 A.M.
1 Mile Walk & Run!

10:00 A.M. - 2:00 P.M.
Volleyball!
Horseshoes!
Inflatables!
Turtle Races!

Tiny Tot Contest (After Grand Entry)

For info, R.E.S.p.E.C.T. Program 1.800.791.7447 Ext. 27530, 27585 or 52448

CLASSIFIEDS

Employment: Submit a tribal application, resume, diploma(s), transcripts, valid copy of Oklahoma state driver’s license and a copy of CDIB to Personnel Department, PO Box 38, Concho, OK 73022 or email atisdale@c-a-tribes.org.

Transit Driver II
On-Call Status
Tribal Transit
Closing: Until Filled

Qualifications:
Valid Oklahoma Class D driver’s license. Must possess or be willing to obtain CPR certification. Transit drivers must pass a pre-employment drug screening process and are subjected to random drug testing. Must be able to lift a minimum of 50 pounds with no physical barriers. Applicant must be able to communicate effectively to patrons and supervisors any findings or incidents. High school diploma or GED equivalent is required. Cheyenne-Arapaho preference.
SALARY: Negotiable

Internet Radio Station Supervisor-CATV
Closing: May 18, 2016

Qualifications:
Associates or bachelor’s degree, preferably in broadcast, media or journalism and/or three years experience in the broadcasting industry. Must have reliable transportation and a valid Oklahoma driver’s license. Native preference.
SALARY: Negotiable

NOTICE OF MEETING
The C&A EPA Office will be having it’s Geary Outreach Meeting May 18 at the Geary Community Hall from 12:00 pm to 1:30pm with a light lunch. We would like to invite all tribal members in the area to come and hear about the program and talk with us about any environmental issues they may have.

Surveillance Operator
Clinton(2) Hammon (1)
Gaming Commission
Closing: Until Filled

Qualifications:
Maintain constant surveillance of Lucky Star premises. Work in an enclosed environment for extended periods of time. Maintain required record keeping reports. Possess the ability to comprehend the overall security mission. Monitor all security and safety electronic systems. Maintain constant vigilance of surveillance camera system. Must be able to sit at console for extended periods of time, visually observing a multitude of areas consisting of customer activities and employee functions. Must be courteous to all customers and co-workers. Must be able to comprehend the approved SICS, TICS and MICS set forth by IGRA, NIGC, Gaming Commission and the state. Must pass pre-employment drug test. Must be able to qualify and maintain a Cheyenne- Arapaho gaming license.
SALARY: Negotiable

MISSING
Whoever took that plant on Saturday, May 7 or Sunday May 8, from the Culture & Heritage Building please return it. No questions asked, it has sentimental value.

TRIBAL TRIBUNE DEADLINES
At 3 p.m. every 8th and 23rd of the month. Unless the 8th or 23rd falls on a weekend, it will be the Friday preceding.

Reporter/Ad Sales
Tribal Tribune/PIO
Closing: Until Filled

Qualifications:
Must have experience in journalism, photojournalism and would prefer experience in photography and graphic design. High School diploma required. Prefer bachelor’s degree in related field, however will strongly consider years of experience in the industry in lieu of degree. Must have strong writing skills. Must be experienced with Macintosh platform (utilizing programs such as InDesign, Photoshop, Illustrator, Adobe PDF). Also must be familiar with Microsoft Office on Mac platform. Must be familiar with social media apps such as Twitter and Facebook and maneuvering around the Internet. Must possess a valid Oklahoma driver’s license and have dependable transportation. Must be willing to work a flexible work schedule, which will include nights, weekends and holidays. Must be familiar with Native American traditions and cultures, be outgoing, professional and interact well with both Native and non-Native communities. Must be able to multi-task and work effectively under high stress situations. Tribal preference.
SALARY: Negotiable

CHEYENNE & ARAPAHO TRIBES
PUBLIC NOTICE
Tax Commission & Treasury Offices
CLOSED
11:00AM – 5:00PM
Friday, May 27, 2016
For our Staff Development Meeting
We will re open on Tuesday, May 31, 2016, at 8:00AM
We apologize for any inconvenience this may cause.

Administrative Assistant
Roads Program
Closing: Until Filled

Qualifications:
Certification of completion from an accredited secondary school and/or clerical course/program, minimum of at least two years experience in clerical, secretary or receptionist work or equivalent. High school diploma, or GED certification required. Years of experience may be acceptable to be equivalent to the education and experience requirements. Must demonstrate knowledge in the operation of various office machines. Demonstrate computer skills and/or knowledge, specifically Microsoft Word and Excel and expressed knowledge in MS Access and Powerpoint will be a plus. Must be willing and able to attend various training programs as designated by the program director. Must possess a current Oklahoma state driver’s license and be willing to attend a Defensive Driving Course. Ability to communicate and relate to Indian and non-Indian communities. Must pass pre-hire drug screen/test. Cheyenne-Arapaho preference.
SALARY: Negotiable

Tribal Offices closed
Monday, May 30 in observance of Memorial Day

Warehouse Tech II
Food Dist. - Watonga
Closing: Until Filled

Qualifications:
High school graduate or GED required. Must pass physical/medical examination and TB test within 30 days of hire. Possess an Oklahoma driver’s license, CDL preferred. Forklift operator’s license required. Must be able to do moderate to heavy lifting.
SALARY: Negotiable

Substitute Teacher Aide
Canton & Concho
Closing: Until Filled

Qualifications:
Must have a valid Oklahoma driver’s license and be willing to obtain a CDL and Bus Driver’s Certificate within 90 days of hire. Must be in good physical health which allows lifting and moving. Knowledge of Head Start is desirable. Ability to work independently. A high school diploma or GED certification required. Must be familiar with federal, regional, state and local Tribal regulations as they apply to the specific area of program operations.
SALARY: Negotiable

ANITA greenwalt
NICK'S barber shop
1515 Sunset Dr.
El Reno, OK
262-1132
NO APPOINTMENT NECESSARY

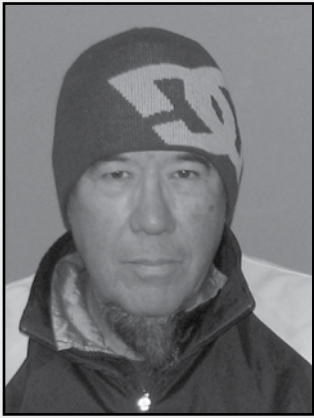
Records Clerk II
Records Mgmt.
Closing: Until Filled

Qualifications:
High school diploma or GED certification required. Vocational training and/or college hours in office administration or records management preferred. Knowledge of computer software, experience with database programs, phone and communications skills. Ability to develop memos, letters and reports in a professional manner. Must be able to keep cuff accounts. Must possess a current and valid Oklahoma driver’s license and have reliable transportation. Must be willing to work over-time hours as needed. Must be able to attend training both in-state and out-of-state. Must be able to lift 50 lbs.
SALARY: Negotiable



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In Loving Memory



Robert Garrison Bushy
Nov. 18, 1953
April 28, 2016

An all night wake service was held for Robert Garrison Bushy on May 1 at the Concho Community Center in Concho, Okla.
Funeral services were held May 2 at the same venue followed by an Interment at the Concho Indian Cemetery.



Pelma Ann Captain
Oct. 30, 1952
April 21, 2016

An all night wake service was held for Pelma Ann Captain on April 23 at the Seiling Community Center in Seiling, Okla.
Funeral services were held April 24 at the same venue followed by an Interment at the Cantonment Indian Cemetery.



Florence J. Flynn
May 10, 1939
May 2, 2016

An all night wake service was held Florence J. Flynn was held May 8 at the Watonga Indian Baptist Church in Watonga, Okla.
Funeral services were held May 9 at the Watonga Nazarene Church followed by an Interment at the Watonga 100F Cemetery.



Salome W. Matanane
Feb. 2, 1935
April 14, 2016

Wake services were held for Salome W. Matanane on April 19 at the Kickapoo Friend’s Center Church in McLoud, Okla.
Funeral services were held April 20 at the same venue followed by an Interment at the Concho Indian Cemetery.



Donna Kay Tiger
Jan. 26, 1952
April 16, 2016

Wake services were held for Donna Kay Tiger on April 20 at the Concho Community Center in Concho, Okla.
Funeral services were held April 21 at the same venue followed by an Interment at the El Reno City Cemetery.

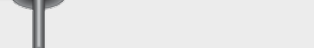


Charles Alfonso Uranga
Dec. 9, 1962
April 7, 2016

Funeral services were held for Charles Alfonso Uranga on April 13 at the Emmanuel Baptist Church in Weatherford, Okla., followed by an Interment at the Greenwood Cemetery.



Jacqueline Ellen Hail
“Baby Girl”
Nov. 25, 1960
April 16, 2016



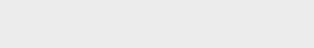
A traditional all-night Indian wake service was held for Jacqueline Ellen ‘Baby Girl’ Hail on April 20, 2016 at the Canton Native American Gym in Canton, Okla. Funeral services were held April 21 at the same venue with Pastor Tom Straka, Pastor Willie Doyeto and Pastor James Scott officiating. Interment followed at the Canton Indian Mennonite Cemetery under the direction of Haigler-Pierce Funeral Home.
Hail was born Nov. 25, 1960 in Okeene, Okla. to Charles Andy and Joyce

Pauline (Shawnee) Hail. She departed this life on April 16, 2016 in Oklahoma City.
Hail grew up in the Canton area and attended Canton Schools and Chilocco Indian School. She later moved to El Reno. She worked for the Cheyenne & Arapaho tribes’ Education Department for five years and worked for the Lucky Star Casino for four years. She loved her dogs and her native jewelry.
Hail was preceded in death by her parents, her grandparents, Pauline Meat, Wilford Shawnee, Mae Hail and George Hail, Sr.

Survivors include three sons, Eric Hail and wife Peaches of Pawhuska, Okla., Charles Hail and Thomas Two Babies, both of Canton, Okla., four grandchildren, Kiona Hail, Erica Hail, Gage Hail and Teegan Hail; twin brother Jack Hail and brother Mike Osage, both of El Reno, aunt Renee Meat and husband Charles Surveyor of Canton, Okla., uncle Bill Pratt; best friends, Euline Sharp, Debbie Wills, Ruthie Russell and many nieces, nephews, aunts, uncles and extended family.



Richard Dean Welbourne
Jan. 3, 1957
April 22, 2016



Wake services were held for Richard Dean Welbourne on April 28 at the Clinton Community Center in Clinton, Okla.
Funeral services were held April 29 at the same venue followed by an Interment at the Clinton City Cemetery.

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merous full-blood, as well as fluent speaking tribal members.

2. Individuals with multiple tribal lines from blood quantum tribes in Oklahoma and beyond who require ½, ¼, and 1/8 degree for enrollment, but because of not possessing enough Indian ancestry from one particular tribe are unable to enroll. Many people in Oklahoma fall under this reality despite being ¼ or more total Indian by blood.

3. Individuals of these same tribes whose blood degree may be just under ½, ¼ or 1/8 (with the rest being non-Indian).

4. Members of historic “non-federal” tribes currently residing in Oklahoma or whose work is displayed and sold here. Some of these tribes such as the Mattaponi in Virginia and Unkechaug in New York control and reside on the nation’s oldest Indian reservations. Twenty others generationally attended

federal Indian boarding schools to include Chilocco in Oklahoma and closely related mission Indian boarding schools such as Bacone in Muskogee. During the time of their attendance most were listed in BIA records of being ¼ to full-blood. Many of these attendees intermarried with the Oklahoma Indian population and have made their home in the state for many generations. These tribes include the MOWA Choctaw, Nanticoke, Chickahominy, and many others.

5. Members of Canadian First Nation communities will be excluded as Indian artisans despite most being of high Indian ancestry, physicality, and cultural retention. Substantial numbers of these individuals reside and are intermarried here in Oklahoma.

6. Indigenous people from Mexico and Central and South America will also be removed from consideration even though communities

in Mexico for instance, hold the highest rates of fluent speaking Indian people in all of the Western Hemisphere.

7. Members of tribes whose status was dissolved by the federal government during the Termination Period extending from the 1940s to 1960s and who have not been reinstated today.

8. Members of nearly 70 tribes across the United States who have been disenrolled in the past two decades due to political corruption and greed.

While some members of the Cherokee Nation of Oklahoma tribal leadership and their tribal citizenry who hold state offices will provide numerous examples of what they view as identity fraud, they will not also be providing a full accounting of those impacted by this legislation. The full accounting is what raises significant ethical, moral, and lastly, legal challenges,

which we all must ponder, discuss, and debate with a sense of fairness and full context.

The at times accusatory tone and rhetoric of these consistent identity debates may also need to be conducted in a mirror. If they are asking for the dismissal as Indian of those listed above, are they also legitimizing those of 1/256, 1/512, and 1/8,192 (all current blood quantum of some Cherokee Nation of Oklahoma citizens) as Indian artists, visual performers and authors? Does Indian identity rest solely on a legal spectrum or should its primary identification rest in social, cultural, racial, and linguistic forms? Maybe it is a plus or minus of any combination of these. Nonetheless, this legislation does not serve to answer this question (which may never be answerable) in a manner that is contingent and dependent upon equitable rationale.

Cedric Sunray is an enrolled member of the MOWA Band of Choctaw Indians (a reservation based tribe whose community members generationally attended Indian boarding schools, yet were denied federal recognition during the same time period as the Yuchis of Oklahoma. He holds a Master of Indigenous Studies from the University of Kansas and a Master of Legal Studies in Indigenous Peoples Law from the University of Oklahoma College of Law. He also attended Haskell Indian Nations University. He has taught American Indian Studies/Indigenous Studies at six colleges and universities and served as a Cherokee language instructor at both Rogers State University and Tahlequah High School. His writings have appeared in major academic press outlets such as The University of Arizona Press and the University Press of Florida.

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then in Norwalk, Conn., in March 1995 to start planning the roll-out of the new drug.

“OxyContin can cure the vulnerability of the generic threat and that is why it is so crucial that we devote our fullest efforts now to a successful launch of OxyContin,” then chief executive Michael Friedman told the group, according to minutes of the meeting.

The first patients to use OxyContin were women recuperating from abdominal and gynecological surgery at two hospitals in Puerto Rico in 1989. In the clinical study, designed and overseen by Purdue scientists and paid for by the company, 90 women were given a single dose of the drug while other patients were given short-acting painkillers or placebos. None of the women were regular users of painkillers, so they were more susceptible to the effects of narcotics.

Even so, more than a third of the women given OxyContin started complaining about pain in the first eight hours and about half required more medication before the 12-hour mark, according to an FDA analysis of the study.

The study found that OxyContin was safe, relieved pain and lasted longer than the short-acting painkillers.

Purdue moved ahead on two paths, seeking patents for its new drug and running additional clinical trials to secure FDA approval.

In a 1992 submission to the Patent Office, the company portrayed OxyContin as a medical breakthrough that controlled pain for 12 hours “in approximately 90 percent of patients.” Applying for a separate patent a few years later, Purdue said that once a person was a regular user of OxyContin, it “provides pain relief in said patient for at least 12 hours after administration.”

Purdue’s researchers, meanwhile, were conducting at least a half dozen clinical trials, according to the company’s FDA application. In study after study, many patients given OxyContin every 12 hours would ask for more medication before their next scheduled dose.

For example, in one study of 164 cancer patients, one third of those given OxyContin dropped out because they found the treatment “ineffective,” according to an FDA analysis of the study. Researchers then changed the rules of the study to allow patients to take supplemental painkillers, known as “rescue medication,” in between 12-hour doses of OxyContin. In another study of 87 cancer patients, “rescue was

used frequently in most of the patients,” and 95 percent resorted to it at some point in the study, according to a journal article detailing the clinical trial.

A Tennessee pain specialist whom Purdue selected to field-test the drug in 1995 as part of the FDA approval process eventually moved eight of 15 chronic pain patients to 8-hour dosing because they were not getting adequate relief taking the drug twice a day.

This prompted a letter from Purdue’s medical director.

“This situation concerns me as OxyContin has been developed for 12h dosing,” Dr. Robert Reder wrote to the Memphis physician, using medical shorthand for 12-hour dosing. “I request that you not use a q8h dosing regimen.”

Narcotic painkillers work differently in different people. Some drug companies discuss that variability on their product labels and recommend that doctors adjust the frequency with which patients take the drugs, depending on their individual response.

The label for Purdue’s MS Contin, for instance, recommends that doctors prescribe the drug every eight or 12 hours to suit the patient. The morphine tablet, Kadian, manufactured by Actavis, is designed to be taken once a day, but the label states that some patients may need a dose every 12 hours.

Despite the results of the clinical trials, Purdue continued developing OxyContin as a 12-hour drug. It did not test OxyContin at more frequent intervals.

To obtain FDA approval, Purdue had to demonstrate that OxyContin was safe and as effective as other pain drugs on the market. Under agency guidelines for establishing duration, the company had to show that OxyContin lasted 12 hours for at least half of patients. Purdue submitted the Puerto Rico study, which showed that.

The FDA approved the application in 1995.

Dr. Curtis Wright, who led the agency’s medical review of the drug, declined to comment for this article. Shortly after OxyContin’s approval, he left the FDA and, within two years, was working for Purdue in new product development, according to his sworn testimony in a lawsuit a decade ago.

The Times asked the FDA for comment on the drug’s failure to provide 12 hours of relief for many patients. Officials at the agency declined to be interviewed.

In a written statement, spokeswoman Sarah Peddicord said that although the FDA approved OxyContin for use every 12 hours, “it should be well understood by physicians that there will be some individual variability in the length of time that patients respond to this drug...

“While the labeled dosing regimen is a reasonable starting point, physicians should carefully individualize their approach to patients based on how quickly they metabolize the drug,” Peddicord wrote.

After OxyContin hit the market in 1996, ads in medical journals left no ambiguity about how long it lasted. A spotlight illuminated two dosage cups, one marked 8 a.m. and the other 8 p.m.

The year OxyContin was introduced, Elizabeth Kipp, a 42-year-old stay-at-home mom, went to her doctor in Kansas City. She had struggled with back pain since age 14, when she was thrown from a horse while practicing for an equestrian competition.

In the intervening decades, she’d taken short-acting generic painkillers. On that day in 1996, her physician said he had something new for her to try.

He told her to take OxyContin every 12 hours. Kipp, who had a bachelor’s degree in plant science from the University of Delaware, said she followed his instructions precisely.

“I’m a scientist, very regimented,” she said.

For the first two or three hours, she experienced a “modicum of relief.” Then her pain roared back, accompanied by nausea, she said in an interview. Only the next pill would relieve her suffering.

She spent hours lying rigidly on her bed, waiting.

“I was watching the clock. ‘What time is it? Oh, God, I have to medicate,’” she said. “My whole nervous system is on red alert.”

When she complained to her doctor, he gave her stronger doses but kept her on the 12-hour schedule, as Purdue instructs physicians to do. The change had little effect.

For a year and a half, she spent each day cycling through misery and relief. Sometimes, she said, she contemplated suicide.

“You want a description of hell,” Kipp recalled. “I can give it to you.”

She eventually checked herself into rehab and said she no longer takes painkillers.

Before OxyContin, doctors had viewed narcotic painkillers as dangerously

addictive and primarily reserved their long-term use for cancer patients and the terminally ill. Purdue envisioned a bigger market.

“We do not want to niche OxyContin just for cancer pain,” a marketing executive explained to employees planning the drug’s debut, according to minutes of the 1995 meeting.

The company spent \$207 million on the launch, doubling its sales force to 600, according to a court declaration. Sales reps pitched the drug to family doctors and general practitioners to treat common conditions such as back aches and knee pain. Their hook was the convenience of twice-a-day dosing.

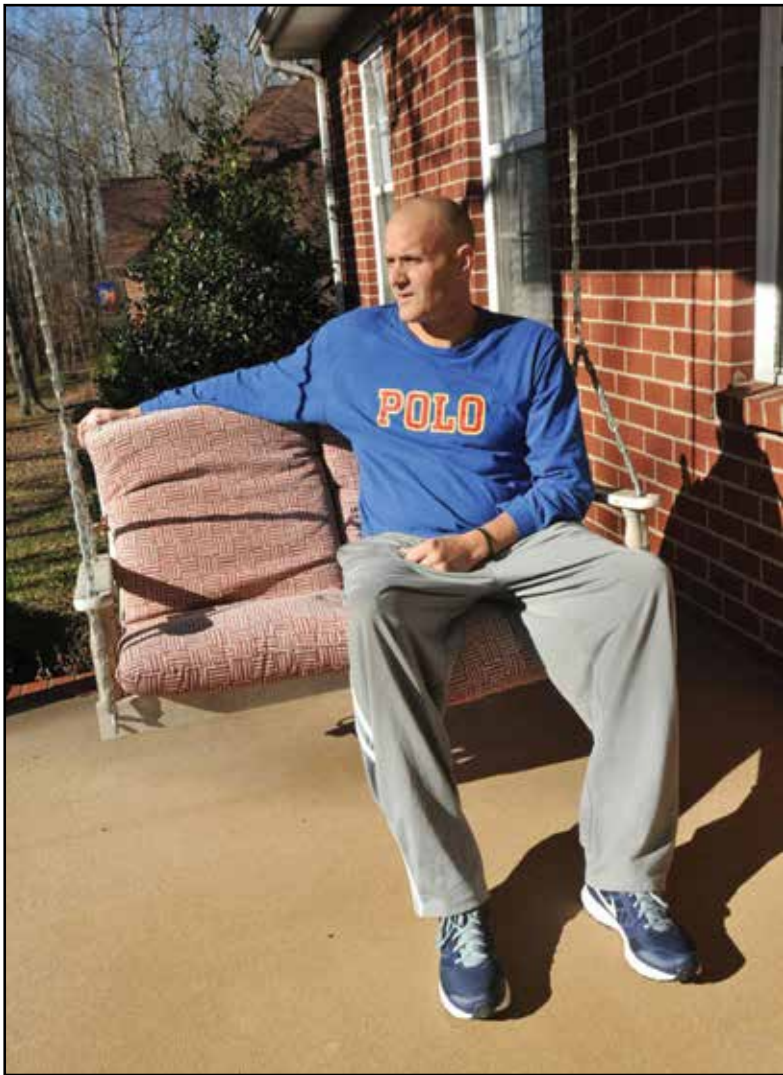
With Percocet and other short-acting drugs, patients have to remember to take a pill up to six times a day, Purdue told doctors. OxyContin “spares patients from anxious ‘clockwatching,’” a 1996 news release said.

Sales reps showered prescribers with clocks and fishing hats embossed with “Q12h.” The company invited doctors to dinner seminars and flew them to weekend junkets at resort hotels, where they were encouraged to prescribe OxyContin and promote it to colleagues back home.

The marketing succeeded in ways that astonished even Purdue executives. OxyContin didn’t just replace MS Contin revenues. It dwarfed them.

By the third year, sales were more than double MS Contin’s peak, according to sworn testimony by a Purdue executive. By the fifth, OxyContin was generating annual revenue of more than \$1 billion. Sales would continue to climb until 2010, when they leveled off at \$3 billion.

Purdue’s owners, the Sackler family, were already rich, the family name adorns a wing of the Metropolitan Museum of Art and several galleries in the British Museum. The success of OxyContin brought a whole new level of wealth. Forbes magazine last year estimated the Sacklers’ worth at \$14



“Death was looking real good to me.” — Burgess MacNamara MacNamara began taking OxyContin in 1999, after a knee surgery.

billion, which, the magazine noted, put the family ahead of American dynasties such as the Mellons and Rockefellers.

OxyContin’s impact on the practice of medicine was similarly transformative. Other drug companies began marketing their own narcotic painkillers for routine injuries. By 2010, one out of every five doctor’s visits in the U.S. for pain resulted in a prescription for narcotic painkillers, according to a Johns Hopkins University study.

OxyContin accounted for a third of all sales revenue from painkillers that year, according to industry data.

Rates of addiction and overdose have soared alongside the rise in prescriptions. News coverage of these problems in Appalachia and New England in the late 1990s made OxyContin notorious. Purdue dispatched representatives to Virginia, Maine and elsewhere to defend its drug. They blamed misuse of OxyContin and insisted their pill was a godsend for pain sufferers when taken as directed.

“A lot of these people say, ‘Well, I was taking the medicine like my doctor told me to,’ and then they start taking them more and more and more,” Purdue senior medical director, Dr. J. David Haddox, told a reporter in 2001. “I don’t see where that’s my problem.”

The U.S. Justice Dept.

launched a criminal investigation, and in 2007 the company and three top executives pleaded guilty to fraud for downplaying OxyContin’s risk of addiction. Purdue and the executives were ordered to pay \$635 million. The case centered on elements of Purdue’s marketing campaign that suggested to doctors that OxyContin was less addictive than other painkillers.

In the years after the settlement, Purdue funded programs to prevent pharmacy robberies and keep teenagers from stealing relatives’ pills. The company eventually rolled out a tamper-resistant version of the painkiller that was harder to crush and snort.

But in all the scrutiny of Purdue and OxyContin, the problem of the drug wearing off early was not addressed.

Purdue sales reps who spent their days visiting doctors to talk up OxyContin heard repeatedly that the drug didn’t last. In reports to headquarters, they wrote that many physicians were prescribing it for three or even four doses a day.

Company officials worried that if OxyContin wasn’t seen as a 12-hour drug, insurance companies and hospitals would balk at paying hundreds of dollars a bottle.

NOTE: Look for Oxycontin-Part II of this story in the June 1, 2016 issue of the Tribal Tribune.

Wear these Native Designs instead of Urban Outfitters

“If it comes off as rebellious and angry, that’s just Native life.”

Sarah Grossman, The Huffington Post

These clothes will make you look cool, without contributing to cultural appropriation.

OxDx Clothing, by Navajo designer Jared Yazzie, mixes Native patterns with graffiti and punk-inspired designs to create shirts that call out issues that affect Native communities, like cultural misrepresentation and violence against women.

“I never thought about creating a statement, I just made stuff that reflects Native people,” Yazzie told The Huffington Post. “If it comes off as rebellious and angry, that’s just Native life because there are a lot of problems on the reservation.”

The problems Yazzie refers to are multiple, as Native reservations are notoriously underserved and underfunded, leading them to have the highest poverty rate of any race in the United States, the lowest high school graduation rate, and an alarmingly high suicide rate for Native youth, among other issues.

Yazzie’s clothes also focus on another key part of the Native experience: cultural misrepresentation. One prominent example is the Redskins team name and logo.

“I’m hoping to bring these issues to light — and make beautiful things, because our culture and our people are

beautiful,” Yazzie said. “I’d just like whoever wears them to be able to explain the story behind them.”

Here are five badass OxDx shirts, and what you’ll achieve by wearing them.

Reverse The Narrative Around Colonization

Native Americans discovered Columbus.’ Columbus is a funny thing to bring up among educated Native people. We joke about Columbus all the time: how we learned about him in school, and how he discovered America. He didn’t discover anything. All he brought was genocide and disease.” — Jared Yazzie

Many cities and universities have begun to celebrate “Indigenous People’s Day” rather than “Columbus Day,” in a (belated) recognition of the fact that Native communities not only were already here when Columbus came to the Americas, but also were victims of genocide and marginalization thereafter.

Subvert Native Misrepresentation

“The ‘Mis-Rep’ tee is play on words: as in ‘misrepresented.’ The image is a combination of the Cleveland Indians logo and the logo of the punk band Misfits. I didn’t want to leave the logo as is, to have it out there for people to see and think of Native people that way. So I changed it, and now people

have to ask what it means, get in conversation about it,” Jared Yazzie said.

From the Red Skins team mascot to Halloween’s annual surge of Pocahotties costumes, American pop culture regularly takes from Native culture without permission, and uses it (or misuses it, rather) for its own consumption.

Don’t Let Native Culture Fade Away

“There’s a chief on it, because in non-Native eyes, the image of a chief is how we’re perceived all the time. When I think of Native people, it’s not that. There are a ton of tribes, and we’re all so different in Arizona alone, there’s Hopis, Navajos, totally different tribes and traditional wear. But we’re all grouped in an image like that, of the headdress and the teepee. That’s how our culture is censored. The image is dripping because Native culture is slowly fading away,” Jared Yazzie said.

Native languages and culture have been under threat of disappearing. This is not only because of reductive stereotypes about Natives in modern culture, but also due to forced assimilation, such as sending Native children to boarding schools throughout the 1900’s, where they were only allowed to speak English. Today, there are concerted efforts fighting to

preserve Native languages for future generations.

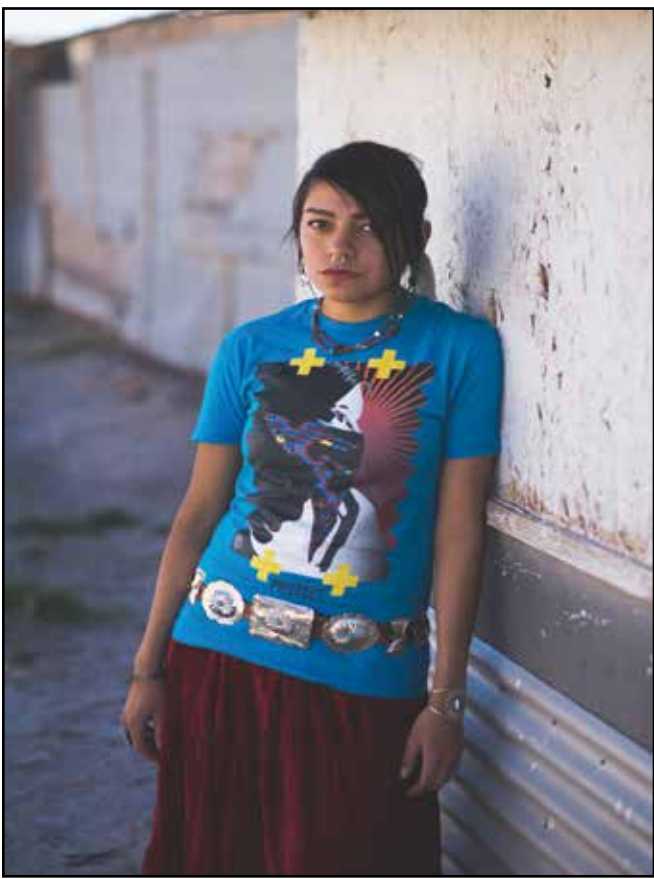
Speak Out Against Environmental Injustice On Native Land

“He’s dressed as our elder men would dress, with the bandana, the necklace, rocking a chief blanket, but he’s also wearing a respirator mask. He’s a Navajo specifically, because we have environmental problems on the res. Coal mining. My grandparents lived Black Mesa, and when we buried my grandma by the mine, we buried her in concrete, in case she got dug up from the mining. There’s also uranium mining on the res — and it gets into the water system, and people are getting cancer. It’s kind of crazy to think that that’s home for us.” — Jared Yazzie

Companies have been extracting uranium from Navajo land since the 1900’s, leaving families with radioactive waste in their backyards. Millions of tons of uranium ore were extracted on Navajo land in the mid-20th century, causing health problems for generations, from birth defects to lung cancer.

Protest Native Women’s Mistreatment

“It’s a woman protester. In Canada, there are missing and murdered indigenous women. There’s a road with hundreds of missing women, just on that one road — and



who are not accounted for. The police don’t look into it. We’re looked at as non-human, which is why these issues aren’t taken care of.” — Jared Yazzie

Violence against women disproportionately affects Native women and girls: One in three Native women reports being raped in her lifetime, making them 2.5 times more likely to experience sexual assault than any other race in the U.S. In Canada, the government is investigating the murders



and disappearances of an estimated 4,000 indigenous women over 30 years. While indigenous women represent 4 percent of the Canadian population, they make up 24 percent of those murdered.

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